

DETAILED ACTION

Claims 2-7, 11, 14, 18-44 and 51-60 have been canceled. Therefore, claims 1, 8-10, 12-13, 15-17 and 45-50 are currently pending in this Application.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ronald S Hermenau, on March 31, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

Amendments to Claims

In claim 50, at the end of the claim insert ---claim 1 or 45. ----

Previous Rejections/Objections

Claims 1-5, 8, 9, 11-17, 19-21, 24, 30, 31, 33, 34, 36-38, 40, 43, 45, 46 and 48-50 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 22 and 43 of co-pending Application No. 11/042,398. Applicants canceled some of the claims and filed a terminal disclaimer which has been entered in the file. Therefore, the rejection is hereby withdrawn.

Claims 1-5, 8-21, 24, 25, 30, 31, 33-38, 40 and 43-50 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regard as the invention. Applicants' have amended the definition of R2. Therefore, the rejection is hereby withdrawn.

Claims 1-5, —21, 24, 25, 30, 31, 33-38, 40 and 43-50 were objected to as containing non-elected subject matter. Applicants amendment filed on July 28, 2008 have overcome the objections.

Therefore, claims 1, 8-10, 12-13, 15-17 and 45-50 are allowable.

Telephone Inquiry

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kamal A Saeed, Ph.D. phone number is (571) 272-0705. The examiner can normally be reached on M-T 7:00 AM- 5:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Joseph K. McKane, can be reached at (571) 272-0699.

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